

Report to the Economic Outlook and Revenue Assessment Committee

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Current State of Idaho Medical Insurance Sector

- Financial stability will remain strong in terms of capital adequacy.
- No impact on member premiums due to securities market turmoil.
- Blue Cross targets an average 2% long-term underwriting gain and will achieve approximately 2.2% for 2008 and 1.2% for 2009.
- Large companies will continue to reduce staff. Small companies and individual insureds will continue to drop coverage.

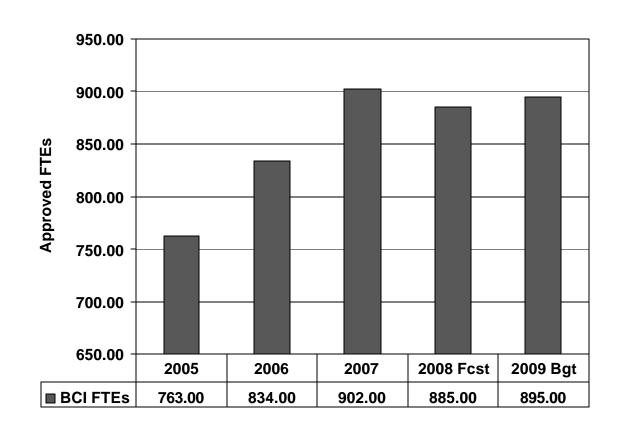


Current State of Idaho Medical Insurance Sector

- For each 1,000 member loss, insurance companies need to reduce operating costs by \$300,000.
- Blue Cross expects downward pressure on membership throughout 2009. However, our business plan assumes an increase of 11,000 or nearly 3% for medical membership.



Staff Profile – Full Time Equivalents (FTEs)





Medical Insurance Sector As Percent of Idaho State Economy

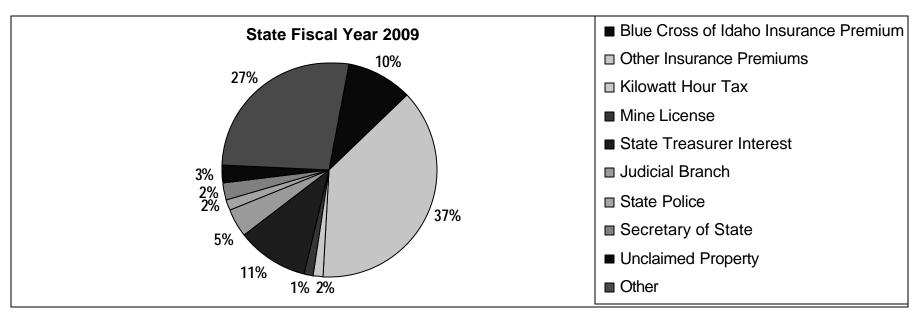
Total Idaho Employment 2006 ⁽¹⁾	915,374	
Estimated Health Plan	1,500	
Broker Agencies	<u>5,200</u>	
Total Industry Employment	6,700	
Percent of Labor Force	0.7%	
Total Idaho Sales of Products & Services (2)) \$51.1 Billion	
Premium Equivalent – Total Population	\$4.4 Billion	
Percent of Monetary Economy	8.6%	
Source: (1) U.S. Dept. of Commerce and Blue Cross Estimate		
⁽²⁾ 2007 Idaho Dept. of Commerce. Premiums written assumes BCI insures 28.5% of total population.		



Idaho Miscellaneous Revenue by Category

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE: \$117.7 MILLION

TOTAL INSURANCE PREMIUM REVENUE: \$56.4 MILLION



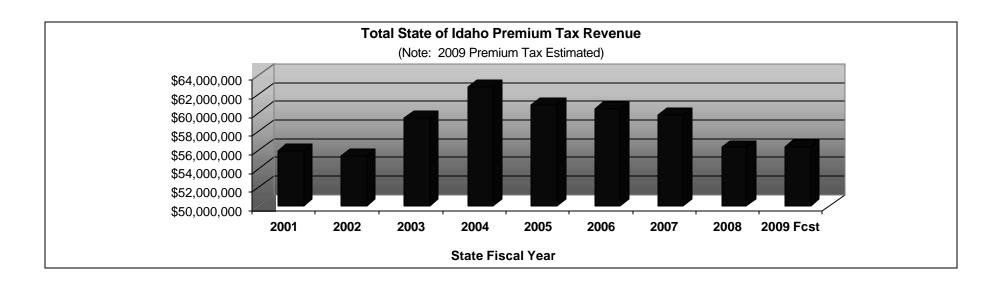
Estimates for State Fiscal Year 2009

Source: Joint Senate Finance-House Appropriations Committee

2008 Legislative Fiscal Report - General Fund Revenue Collections Estimates



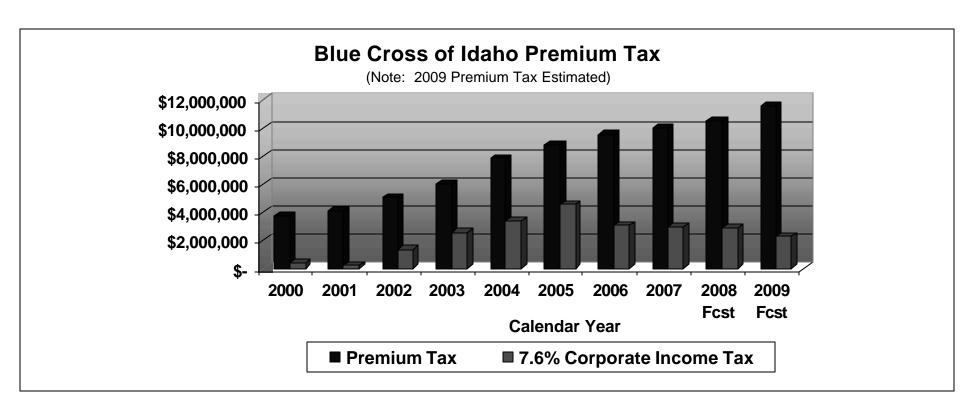
Total State of Idaho Premium Tax Revenue



Source: Joint Legislative Economic Outlook and Revenue Assessment Committee General Fund Revenue Collections Estimates



Blue Cross of Idaho Premium Tax Payments





What are Estimated 2008 Costs of Insurance to the Employee and Employer

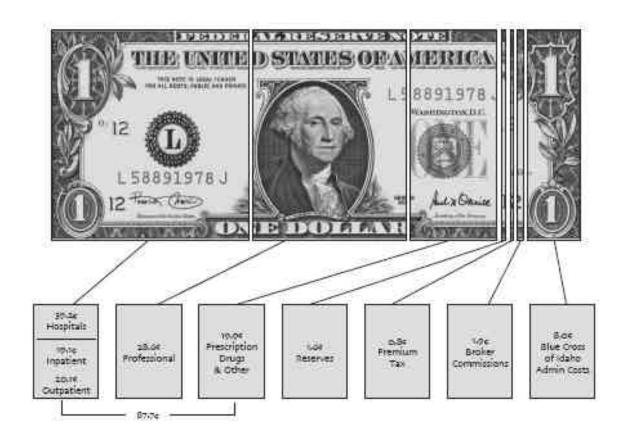
	Employer	Employee
Average Premium / Cost	\$246	\$313
Employer Share – 80% Employee Share – 20%	\$197	\$ 49
Deductibles; Co-insurance; Co-pays Total Employee Health Cost / Month		\$ 67 \$116 37%

^{*}The value of deductibles paid by employees has increased from \$767 to \$854 during 12 months ended 9/2008 or 11%.



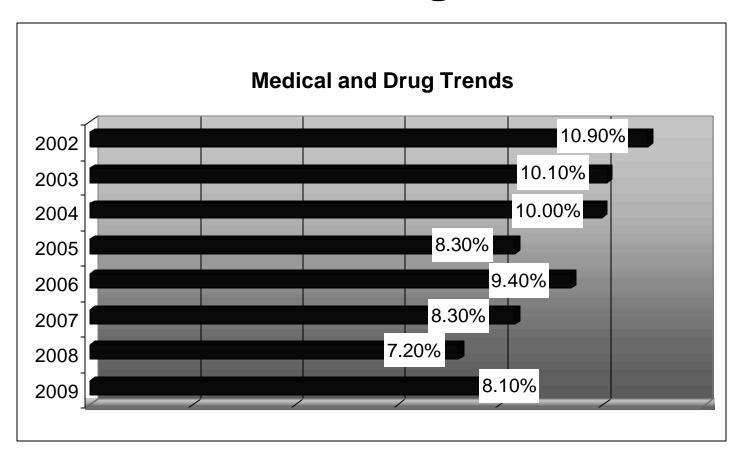
Health Insurance Premium Dollar Distribution

Time Period: January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007





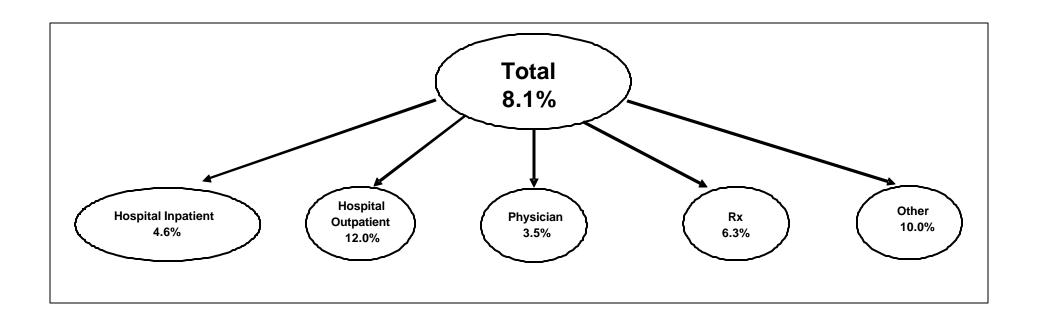
Medical & Drug Trends



Annual values reflect 12-month period ending June 30



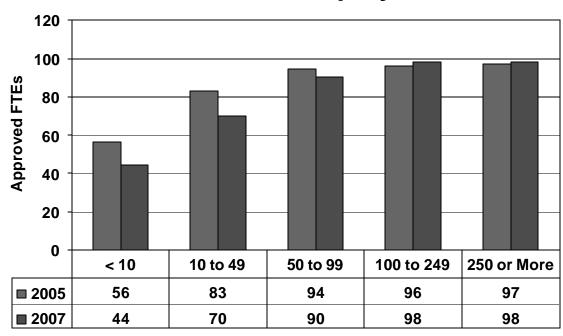
Healthcare Trend Drivers





How Many Idaho Employers Offer Health Insurance?

Full Time Employees

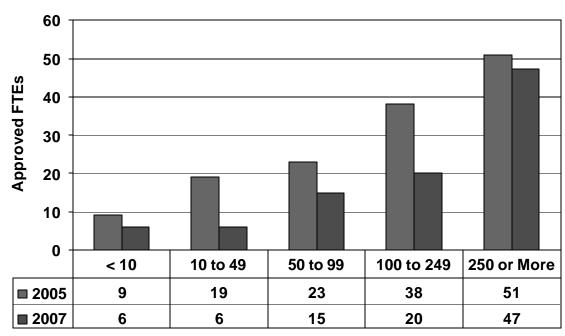


Source: Idaho Department of Labor – Idaho Fringe Benefits Survey – 2005 and 2007



How Many Idaho Employers Offer Health Insurance?

Part Time Employees



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Where States Rank on Percentage of Uninsured

Top States

- 1 Massachusetts
- 2 Hawaii
- 3 Minnesota
- 4 Wisconsin
- 5 lowa

Bottom States 50 **Texas New Mexico Florida** 47 **Arizona** Louisiana 45 **Mississippi** California 44 Oklahoma 43 42 Nevada 41 Georgia **Arkansas** 40 39 Alaska 38 Oregon 37 Colorado 36 **North Carolina** 35 **South Carolina** 34 Montana 33 Utah 32 **New Jersey West Virginia** 30 Idaho

IDAHO - 14.7%
U.S. - 15.4%
Idaho Ranked:

#34 in 2005 #31 in 2006 #30 in 2007



Potential Changes for Health Plans

- CMS reductions in payments to Medicare Advantage Plans.
- Health Care Reform.



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